

SUBCOMMITTEES:

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FOREIGN OPERATIONS, EXPORT FINANCING
AND RELATED PROGRAMS

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-1302

PUBLIC TRANSIT

Metra South Suburban Airport Commuter Rail Extension **\$4,000,000**
Chicago, IL.

Authorization is sought for the alternatives analysis for the proposed South Suburban Airport Commuter Rail Extension of the Metra Electric Line. This Line Extension will extend the Metra Electric Line from its current terminus in University Park, IL., to the proposed new South Suburban Airport (also known as the Abraham Lincoln National Airport), thus connecting the new Airport to many southern suburbs as well as Downtown Chicago. The Line would run along the CN right-of-way to the western edge of the Airport site and then east to the proposed Airport inaugural terminal building, a distance of about 8 miles. Metra is also proposing to build a storage yard near the Airport and the end of this Line.

Metra SouthEast Service Line Commuter Rail **\$0**
Chicago, IL.

Authorization is sought for preliminary engineering of the SouthEast Service Line in Northeastern Illinois. The Line will provide commuter rail service in a corridor that has been traditionally underserved by transit and will provide new commuting opportunities for thousands of riders along the corridor. The proposed SouthEast Service will operate from LaSalle Street Station in downtown Chicago along the Rock Island tracks to Gresham Interlocking. It will then switch to the UP/CSX tracks and continue to Crete / Balmoral Race Track. Plans for the 33-mile route include 10 outlying stations, track and signal upgrades, and a grade separation where the UP/CSX crosses the IHB at Dolton Junction to provide a reliable schedule of service. In addition, development of a double-track by-pass of Yard Center in Dolton, which is a major freight interchange yard, will be developed. Finally, the project would require the construction of storage yard at the end of the line to house rolling stock at night.

Chicago CTA - Red Line Extension **\$3,100,000**
Chicago, IL.

The Red Line Extension is proposed as a New Start Heavy Rail project. The project will extend CTA's Red Line (Dan Ryan) from its current terminus at 95th Street to 130th Street. The project's 6.1 mile segment will include four new rail stations and a new rail yard. It will serve densely populated areas on the Southside of Chicago and provide better access to downtown, as well as more efficient connections to popular bus routes.

**Halsted BRT of PACE Arterial BRT Network
Arlington Heights, IL**

\$33,200,000

This project creates Bus Rapid Transit in the heavily traveled Halsted Street corridor between the CTA Red Line 95th/Dan Ryan Station and 159th Street. Features of the BRT could include transit signal priority; dedicated bus lanes; queue-jump lanes; real-time travel information signs at significant stops along the route, using the Intelligent Bus System already installed on all Pace buses (and dissemination of that information to passengers, dispatchers, planners, and customer relations staff using a variety of electronic media); bus stop shelters and amenities; and improvements in pedestrian and bicycle access.

FEDERAL-AID HIGHWAY

**U.S. Route 41 Relocation: Harbor Avenue to 79th Street
Chicago, IL.**

\$10,000,000

Project includes but not limited to PCC pavement, HMA overlay lighting, traffic signals, landscaped median, sidewalks, ADA ramps, main line sewer, catch basins, trees, pervious pavement

**Arterial Street Resurfacing
Chicago, IL.**

\$1,440,000

One mile of arterial street resurfacing for 71st Street between Stony Island Avenue and Yates Boulevard. Funding is requested for engineering, construction and related activities.

**Joe Orr Road – Bishop Ford Expressway (I-94) to Burnham Avenue
Lynwood, IL**

\$11,520,000

The scope of work for the project includes the construction of a five (5) lane roadway on a new alignment for Joe Orr Road between Stony Island Avenue and Burnham Avenue in Lynwood, Illinois. The proposed roadway will be of an urban design with curb and gutter and an enclosed storm sewer system. This project is being separated into three (3) segments for construction. The first segment is from Stony Island Avenue to Torrence Avenue, the second from Torrence Avenue to Glenwood Dyer Road, and the third from Glenwood-Dyer Road to Burnham Avenue.

**130th St. /Torrence Ave. /Brainard Ave
Chicago, IL.**

\$29,175,000

Funding is requested for realignment and grade separation. The project includes rail-road grade separation and realignment of three major roadways. The major project elements include: railroad tracks relocation, six new bridges, retaining walls, and other roadway elements.

Park Forest Widening & Resurfacing of Orchard Drive	\$6,720,000
Park Forest, IL	

The project includes widening and resurfacing of Orchard Drive (FAU 2836) from US Route 30 (FAP 353) south to Lakewood Drive. The Orchard Drive pavement cross section will be revised from 4 narrow through lanes to three lanes (two thru lanes and a center turn lane/median) and on-street bicycle lanes. The project will also include curb and gutter improvements, traffic signal modifications, storm sewer improvements, sidewalk repairs, restoration, and other miscellaneous items of work. The activity will include Construction and Construction Engineering costs.

University Parkway Reconstruction Project	\$8,500,000
Village of University Park, IL.	

Road reconstruction, improvements, and widening of approximately 2 miles of University Parkway. This project will provide safe and efficient access to Governors State University which will in turn generate enhanced educational and employment opportunities. This widened corridor will function as one of the few east-west continuous local roadway connections between the northern areas of Illinois and Indiana. This project will support a 10 year history of growth in the Governors Gateway Industrial Park. Additionally, this project will provide enhanced access to public transportation sources. The specific segment of the project that funding is being requested for is Phase III construction.

170th Street Grade Separation	\$11,840,000
Village of South Holland, IL.	

170th Street Grade Separation at the Canadian National Railroad tracks located east of South Park Avenue in the Village of South Holland. Construction of a roadway underpass allowing 170th Street to pass beneath the railroad tracks would greatly improve vehicle and pedestrian safety, air quality, and the overall efficiency of the surface transportation system. The grade separation is directly adjacent to three schools and the Community Fitness Center. Many pedestrians use this corridor.